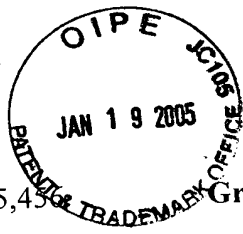


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Serial No.: 10/695,436 Group Art Unit: 3611

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For: ELECTRIC POWER STEERING DEVICE AND JOINT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313 - 1450**EXCESS CLAIM FEE PAYMENT LETTER**

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.

	<u>AFTER AMENDMENT</u>	<u>PREV. PAID FOR</u>	<u>EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT</u>	<u>RATE</u>	<u>FEE DUE</u>
Total Claims	16	20	= 0	x \$ 50.00	\$ -
Indep. Claims	6	3	= 3	x \$ 200.00	\$ 600.00
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**TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT**

A check in the amount of \$600.00 is submitted herewith to cover the excess claim fee. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

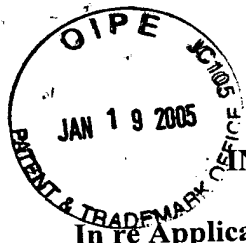
The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

Respectfully Submitted,

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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 19, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Claims 1-16 are all the claims presently pending in the application. Claims 1-7 are amended to more clearly define the invention and claims 8-16 are added. Claims 1 and 4-8 are independent.

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